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SUBJECT: PRG REPRESENTATIVE TO VISIT LONDON

1. AFTERNOON NEWS SERVICES LONDON CARRIED STORY THAT REPRESENTATIVE OF PRG WILL ARRIVE IN LONDON MAY 7 FOR TALKS WITH FCO. REPRESENTATIVE IS MADAME PHAN THI MINH "PRG SPOKESMAN IN PARIS". REPORTS SAY SHE IS TO MEET WILLIAM SQUIRE, HEAD OF FCO SOUTHEAST ASIA DEPARTMENT. VISIT HAS BEEN SPONSORED BY BRITISH COMMITTEE FOR PEACE IN VIETNAM.

2. FCO OFFICER CONFIRMS MADAME MINH IS VISITING LONDON TOMORROW BUT SAYS IT IS INCORRECT TO SAY THAT SHE IS COMING "FOR TALKS WITH FCO" SINCE MAIN PURPOSE OF HER VISIT IS TO ADDRESS A MEETING OF BCPV. SHE WAS NOT
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CALLED TO LONDON FROM PARIS BY HMG. FCO OFFICIAL

STRESSED THAT THE VISIT DOES NOT RELATE TO RECOGNITION
SINCE MADAME MINH APPARENTLY HAS NO OFFICIAL
ACCREDITATION WHICH WOULD SUPPORT CHARACTERIZING
DISCUSSIONS AS ANYTHING BUT INFORMAL "LOOK-IN" ON FCO.
AS MADAME MINH'S APPOINTMENT TAKES PLACE LATE IN AFTER-
NOON MAY 7 WE WILL SEEK APPOINTMENT EARLY MAY 8 TO GET A
REPORT FROM FCO ON RESULTS OF MEETING.

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